

**KINGSTON BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was called to order at 3:07 p.m. on January 8, 2014 in the Department's offices at Jansen Avenue. Present were President Joseph DeCicco, Commissioners Al Radel, Ray McSpirit, Bob Niedzielski and Dennis Croswell. Also in attendance were Superintendent Hansen, Assistant Secretary Allan Alberts, Attorney William Cloonan, and James Caggiano. James Quigley, Supervisor of Town of Ulster, was present to address the Board.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved on a motion made by Commissioner Radel and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Bills in the amount of \$29,424.45 dated 12/18/13; \$30,337.91 dated 12/23/13; \$33,470.52 dated 12/31/13; and \$365,514.10 dated 1/8/14 were ordered paid as audited on a motion by Commissioner McSpirit and seconded by Commissioner Radel. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

James Quigley, Supervisor of Town of Ulster, addressed the Board regarding changing the current Town of Ulster Water Billing calculations. He requests that the minimum water consumption billing calculations be based on annual usage as compared to the current quarterly calculations. His request will entail higher consumption during the warmer seasons and lower consumption in colder seasons. The Board informed him that the request would be taken into consideration. The Board requested Superintendent Hansen to research the feasibility of the increased seasonal supply to Town of Ulster and requested Allan Alberts to research the current revenue from Town of Ulster resulting from consumption exceeding the minimum based on quarterly billing. The matter will be further discussed after the additional research is completed.

The Board discussed the Florence Street Water Tank Painting Project. The Board was informed that Amstar of Western New York had amended the contract agreement as recommended by Attorney Cloonan regarding liability requirements. On a motion by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner Radel, the President was authorized to sign the agreement. Motion carried by unanimous vote. The project is expected to start in the Spring of 2014.

The Board discussed the CSX Crossing Main Replacement Project. It was reported that Brinnier & Larios is still working on the report.

The Board discussed the Cooper Lake Dam Project. It was reported that a workshop for the Review Committee will be scheduled to take place before the next meeting.

The Proposed Budget for 2014 was discussed by the Board. A motion was made by Commissioner Radel and seconded by Commissioner Croswell to approve the 2014 Budget as submitted which includes a 4.5% Water Rate increase. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

There was no Executive Session.

The December Superintendent's Report was read and ordered filed on a motion by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner McSpirit and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski at 5:22 pm. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Assistant Secretary

